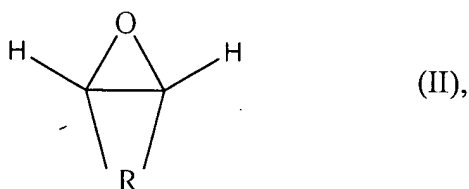


**Amendments to the Specification:**

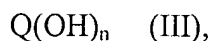
Please amend the specification at page 2, lines 10-16 by replacing it with the following paragraph:

b) at least one polyfunctional cycloaliphatic epoxy compound containing a group of the formula



wherein R is a straight chain C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>6</sub> alkylene group, and

c) at least one multifunctional hydroxy compound



in which Q represents an aliphatic, cycloaliphatic or araliphatic group and n an integer from  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \end{bmatrix}$  2 up to 128; and

Please amend the specification at page 8, lines 2-11 by replacing it with the following paragraph:

An especially preferred embodiment of the invention relates to a curable composition comprising

a) at least one oxetane compound ~~7-oxabicyclo[4.1.0]hept-3-ylmethyl ester~~ ~~7-oxabicyclo[4.1.0]heptane-3-carboxylic acid~~;

b) at least one polyfunctional cycloaliphatic epoxy compound of the formula II selected from the group consisting of 7-oxabicyclo[4.1.0]hept-3-ylmethyl ester-7-oxabicyclo[4.1.0]heptane-3-carboxylic acid and bis(7-oxabicyclo[4.1.0]hept-3-yl)-methyl ester hexanedioic acid;

c) a multifunctional hydroxy compound selected from the group consisting of pentaerythritol ethoxylate, polyethylene glycol, polytetrahydrofuran, polycaprolactone diol or triol, tripropylene glycol, glycerol propoxylate and dendritic polyols; and

d) at least one curing agent.